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ABSTRACT

This children's book tells the story of a little girl who has a new baby brother with Down syndrome. Her contemplation of the advantages and disadvantages of having a sibling is highlighted. When she finds out the baby has Down syndrome, her initial reaction is that the baby won't be able to do all the wonderful things she has thought they would do together. After some reassurance from her father, she realizes that as long as she is patient with the baby and helps him when he needs it, there probably isn't anything he won't be able to do. The book closes with some questions and answers about Down syndrome that address etiology and family coping. (CR)

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